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Former hockey player pleads guilty to rape

By Kathleen Grigg
Statesman Staff Reporter

Former Bulldog hockey player Blair Noel LeFebvre of Prince George, British Columbia, plead guilty to fourth degree criminal sex conduct Monday morning, prior to a scheduled hearing at the St. Louis County Courthouse.

Sentencing is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 16, following a pre-sentence investigation.

The fourth degree criminal sex conduct is sexual advances accomplished without consent, by force or coercion.

The charge resulted from an incident involving LeFebvre and a female, now 21, who informed UMD Police that she was sexually assaulted and nearly raped at her home on Arrowhead Road in April 2005. Alcohol was involved in the incident.

Two other charges, both third degree criminal sex conduct involving force or coercion, were dismissed.

District Attorney Mark Rubin said that LeFebvre would probably face "a couple

of years" of probation, undergo a psychological-sociological-sexual evaluation, follow prescribed programs, pay a fine, provide a DNA sample and register as a sex offender with Minnesota and British Columbia.

Following probation, Rubin said, the charge may be reduced to a misdemeanor.

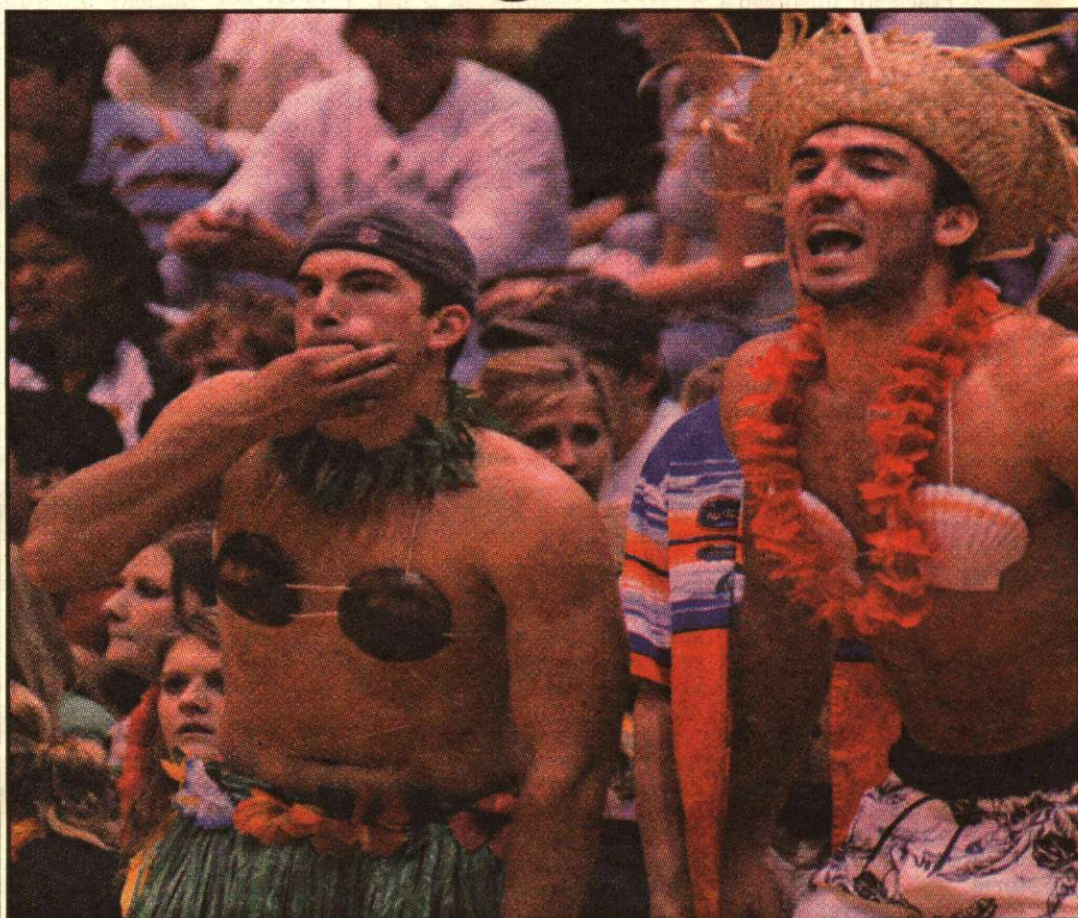
"When he pled guilty, he did admit that he did use force and didn't stop when she said 'no,'" Rubin said. "He admitted he did touch her private parts when she said 'no.'"

LeFebvre's attorney Robert Mathias said that no one knew how a jury would opt to handle a case of this nature.

"From my standpoint in representing this young man, I had to make sure that the sentence was one that would keep him out of jail, and one that would allow him to continue on with his life, which has really been on hold for the last 15 or 16 months," Mathias said.

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Hawaiian night 'sets' a win



Jonathan Tupper/Statesman

Derek Breidenbach (left) and Matt Rawley show their school spirit by cheering on the women's volleyball while dressed in Hawaiian attire for Hawaiian night on Tuesday at Romano gym.

Community members frustrated with college neighbors

By Sarah Doty
Statesman Staff Reporter

More than a dozen Duluth residents met last Tuesday at the Grant Rec. Center to attend a meeting of the Campus Neighbors, where they expressed their frustration with their college neighbors and possible options for improvements.

Campus Neighbors is a community organization working to maintain and promote healthy relationships between permanent residents and students living together in neighborhoods around the campuses.

Garbage in yards, underage drinking, late-night noise, public urination and parking were just a few topics discussed at this month's meeting.

"Having a dry campus has spilt wet out onto us," said Myrna Matheson, Duluth resident and Campus Neighbor member.

Matheson says she finds broken bottles and garbage everywhere, which not only affects the way the neighborhood looks, but it also affects kids and animals. Many times community members have been walking their dogs and glass has gotten into

their pet's paws.

"It's only a matter of time until someone gets hurt real bad," said Duluth resident Jim Jensen.

Matheson also said that she is woken up regularly by groups of students wandering through the streets late at night.

"They can be fine and dandy Sunday thru Friday, but Saturday... everything becomes a hassle to people there living year round," said Art Jacquart, a Campus Neighbor member.

"We need to get tough on them," Jensen said. His neighbors have par-

ties anywhere from three to five nights a week, and he believes that the only way to improve the situation is if strict guidelines are set.

"Winter will take care of some of it," Matheson said, but neighbors are still worried.

Many community members who attended the meeting were concerned about repercussions. One resident told a story about how he had windows broken on his motor home after he called the police on his neighbors.

While most residents who came to the meeting were sharing their displea-

sure with their college neighbors, they also said there is good with having students live in their area.

"I really wouldn't want to see all the students gone from my area. I like having them around," said Pete Handberg, a Campus Neighbor and Duluth resident.

Handberg believes, along with other Duluth residents who were at the meeting, that it is good to have students living in their neighborhoods, but there needs to be set guidelines.

"This is an issue that is pervasive throughout the NEIGHBORS to page 4.

NEWS NOW

\$50 THOUSAND MURDER REWARD

WINONA, Minn. (AP) — Authorities are hoping a \$50,000 reward might help crack an unsolved slaying more than 20 years old.

Spotlight on Crime is putting up the money for information leading to whoever killed Ada Senenfelder back in 1985. The group is a nonprofit set up by Minnesota businesses and law enforcement agencies to pursue cold cases.

Senenfelder, a 40-year-old mother of five, was found stabbed to death in the bedroom of her home on June 6, 1985. No evidence of robbery or sexual assault was found, but the case is being re-examined with current forensic methods.

MINNESOTA PILOT MISSING

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — The coordinator of a search for a Minnesota pilot missing for a month says searchers are not giving up.

Bob Nelson, 60, of Battle Lake, Minn., and his single-engine Piper Cherokee disappeared after leaving the Bismarck airport during an Aug. 24 storm.

Civil Air Patrol pilots covered 15,000 square miles over two weeks but found nothing and suspended their search on Sept. 9. Friends searched again Sunday but found nothing.

Search coordinator Pete Fendt, of Fargo, said searchers now are concentrating along a 15-mile long stretch of land northwest of Edgeley, in south central North Dakota. If the weather cooperates, he expects the search to resume next week.

"We're prepared to make sure we have a number of aircraft available when the foliage comes off the trees," Fendt said, "so we can fly the area just to make sure we don't miss that window of opportunity. Because once it snows, it's going to be hard to find a white plane out there."

Landowners in the area are being contacted for permission to go on their property if a ground search is needed.

TARGET DUMPS CHEMICALS

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP) — Target has been fined \$75,000 after pleading guilty to a federal charge of flushing 275 gallons of roofing chemicals into waterways in 2003, a violation of the Clean Water Act. At \$25,000 a day, the fine represents the maximum penalty possible for the three days Target knew about the spill, U.S. Magistrate Judge Miles Davis said.

While working on the roof of a Target store on Oct. 15, 2003, a roofing foreman punctured a 275-gallon container with a forklift. He rinsed its entire contents into a grated storm drain in the parking lot, court records stated.

The drain leads to Carpenter Creek, and eventually, Bayou Texar and Pensacola Bay. Two days later, a resident saw a white substance in Bayou Texar and reported the spill to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

The chemicals, zinc oxide and ethylene glycol, were linked to the Target roofing job.

The foreman, David Hayes Marshall, pleaded guilty in January to lying to investigators and saying it was a five-gallon spill and that rain flushed it down the storm water drain.

DEMS DENIED CLOSED SESSION

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats failed Tuesday to push the House into an unusual secret session to discuss a classified intelligence analysis on global terrorism that says the Iraq war is nourishing a new generation of extremist operatives.

The proposal from House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., was denied by a vote of 171-217.

Such a session hasn't happened in the House since July 1983, when the chamber went into a closed session to discuss the United States' support for paramilitary operations in Nicaragua. The House has only had five closed sessions since 1812.

NORTH KOREA SHUNS TALKS

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — North Korea rejected further talks on its nuclear program and blamed the breakdown in negotiations directly on the United States Tuesday, claiming that Washington wants to rule the world.

Deputy Foreign Minister Choe Su Hon said in his speech to the U.N. General Assembly that U.S. financial sanctions had convinced Pyongyang that the negotiations were not worth pursuing.

"It is quite preposterous that the DPRK, under the groundless U.S. sanctions, takes part in the talks on discussing its own nuclear abandonment," Choe said, referring to North Korea's formal name, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

He said it was a matter of principle "that cannot tolerate even the slightest concession."

In a speech that was peppered with anti-American rhetoric, Choe claimed North Korea has developed nuclear weapons as a deterrent solely for self-defense against preemptive strikes by the United States and was eager, in principle, to hold talks, but that Washington's "vicious, hostile policy" made negotiations unacceptable.

Washington has denied it has any plans to attack North Korea.

Pyongyang has boycotted the six-party talks, involving China, Japan, the Koreans, Russia and the U.S., insisting it will not return unless Washington drops financial restrictions imposed for the regime's alleged complicity in counterfeiting and money laundering.

The U.S. has said the North shouldn't link the financial issue to the nuclear talks. North Korea boasts that it has nuclear bombs, but the claim has not been independently verified. Many experts believe the North has enough radioactive material to build at least a half-dozen or more nuclear weapons.

The need to resume the talks has taken on added urgency since North Korea test-fired missiles in July.

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nation, not just Duluth," said Sandy Robinson, a member of Campus Neighbors and Duluth resident.

When the topic of having a student district was brought up, many of the community members doubted that it was possible.

"What are we supposed to do... sell our houses? I don't want to give up my home," said Jacquart.

A student district won't solve the problem," Robinson said. She shared that the city council has talked about

the possibility of a student district a few years ago.

"Duluth is 10-years behind the times on this issue, too," said Robinson.

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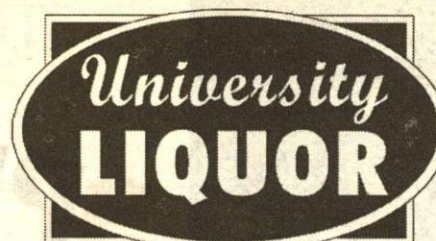
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Grads must evolve with job market

By Jen Draz
Statesman Staff Reporter

Student tips on how to find a job in the new economy were given at St. Scholastica by Dr. Phil Gardner, director of the collegiate employment research institute.

Gardner stressed the fact that the economy and the job market have become more global in recent years.

Due to the economic changes, the chance of working overseas is growing, and Gardner suggests that studying abroad is a good way to get a change of environment.

Not only are students competing against their classmates for positions but also against students from around the world.

Career options are limited for recent college grads.

Gardner says that for every three baby boomers that retire, companies are expecting to hire one person.

The pool of possible candidates for career positions has also widened because of a global economy. Not only are students competing against their classmates for positions but also against students from around the world.

Employers are expecting more flexibility out of students entering the job market now more than ever.

"It's all about being adaptable," said St. Scholastica senior Ryan Reedy.

However, being adaptable is not the only thing that is important, said Jen-

nifer Wiczek-Bertsch director of Member Resources and Retention for the Duluth Area Chamber of Commerce.

"Being personable is just as important as having a good résumé," said Wiczek-Bertsch.

Employers are interested in knowing how the new employee will contribute to their company.

Gardner said throughout the job search process, students must be prepared to look for diverse jobs because when a student graduates college and begins his or her first job the likelihood of that being a long-term job is very small.

"The average time for the first job is only 12-18 months," Gardner said. "The second and third jobs are where you really get started in your career."

Gardner said a person's major isn't necessarily what they will be doing as their career.

"So many jobs are merging together that it's important to get a broad education," he said.

Grade point averages are not what employers are going to be looking at either, according to Gardner, but rather knowing what desirable personal skills are and what an individual is good at will help them land that dream job.

Math skills are another important concern in the career world. When the skills diminish, so do career options, said Gardner.

Gardner reminds students that just because college is done you don't stop learning.

"You have to learn how to continue learning all by yourself," he said.

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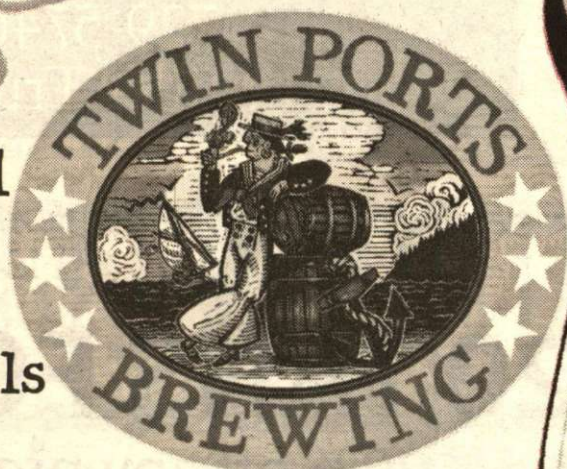
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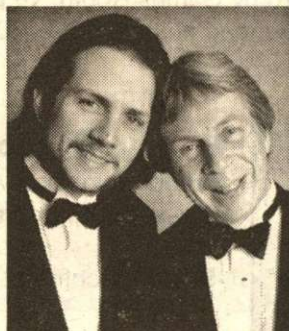
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Tuesday, October 3

That 70s & 80s Day: Dress in your best 70s or 80s outfit.

- Texas Hold Em Tournament in Griggs Center, 7 pm
- Alain Jacuon in Weber Music Hall, 7:30 pm (\$5 students, \$10 adults, \$8 seniors)
- Bad Plus in the Rafters, 10 pm



Wednesday, October 4

Mis-Match Day: Wear crazy colors or clothes.

- UMD Idol Contest in Ballroom, 7 pm/ Top 3 perform at Homecoming game!
- Limbeck in the Rafters, 10 pm

Thursday, October 5

Stoplight Day: Wear green if you're available, yellow if you might want a date, and red if you're taken.

- Games Night in the Kirby Games Room, 10 pm
- Men's Hockey vs Lakehead at the DECC, 7:07 pm



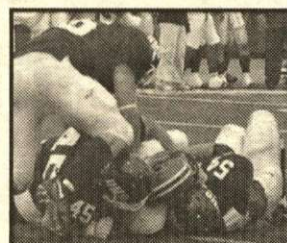
Friday, October 6

School Spirit Day: Any student wearing UMD gear or maroon and gold can stop at the Kirby Student Center for a prize.

- Student Bonfire at dusk. Free rootbeer keg, Smash-a-Car

Saturday, October 7 - HOMECOMING DAY

- Tailgating Party in the Griggs Parking Lot, 11:30 am
- Homecoming Football Game vs Augustana College, 1:00 pm
- UMD Idol Finals during halftime. Audience votes on winner!



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Other Events: Tue: Outdoor Bog Walk (register with Rec Sports by noon on Monday. \$4 students, \$7 other.) • Thurs: Cat Fishing (register with Rec Sports by noon on Wednesday. \$4 students, \$7 others.) • Fri: UMD Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet in Kirby Ballroom, 6:30 pm. • Sat: 5K homecoming Run at Bagley Nature Center, 10 am (Register in RSOP 153.)

COME HOME
2006 UMD Homecoming

Coffeehouse blends caffeine and music

By Kevin Ryan
Statesman Guest Contributor

Immediately after walking into Beaner's Central Coffeehouse on Central Avenue in West Duluth, you know that they've got more than just your average cup of "jo" to offer.

The coffeehouse is known for its band performances and personality as well.

Perhaps it's the brightly painted walls or the remarkable mural of America's great musicians that gives Beaner's an appeal.

"It's the people I think," said Don Hemming. "The people that they hire here are very personable."

Hemming has been going to Beaner's for more than two years. The 58-year-old history major at UMD says he drives to the coffeehouse everyday for lunch when school is not already occupying his time.

"They know that I like the ends of bread loaves, so they save me the ends," said Hemming after a sip of his peppermint cappuccino.

Aside from benevolent

employees, Beaner's music draws people in.

Five nights a week local musicians, including owner Jason Wussow, perform. It's the premiere concert coffeehouse in Duluth.

"It started as strictly rock shows, but now the music is much more intimate," said Wussow. "Our main focus is playing original acts that are trying to make a living."

Over the years, Beaner's has extended its music into bluegrass, funk and blues, ethnic sounds from Duluth.

"I want this to be the artist hangout of Duluth," said Wussow.

Unlike other music venues, you won't find bouncers at Beaner's door. Anyone of any age can go there at any time.

"I like that it's all ages," Wussow said. "It's about the music."

Wussow opened Beaner's seven years ago. When he's not running the coffeehouse, he takes multiple, month-long trips around the country performing his music. His latest tour occurred this last

August and lasted 30 days across the Dakotas and parts of the Western U.S.

"I'm hoping to put a permanent studio in the basement," said Wussow.

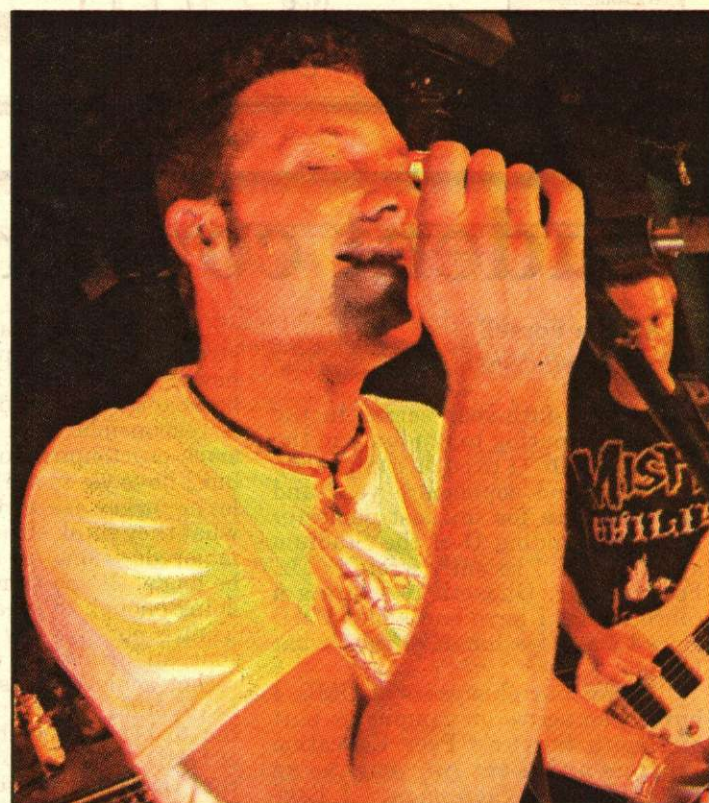
Coming up is Beaner's annual "One Week Live" recording where large crowds will come see 20 groups perform in five days while being recorded live Sept. 25-30.

Artists including Sara Softich, who's played at the Brewhouse and Pizza Lucé, will perform to help create "One Week Live: Volume 5."

Whether people are looking for good coffee, good music or just plain old good conversation, chances are they can find it at Beaner's.

"There are lots of regulars that come here all the time," said Hemming. "Obviously they're doing something right."

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Jake Winchell of Melodramatics sings for the coffeehouse crew.

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OPINION

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Student concerned where money goes

By Amelia Forsell
Statesman Staff Writer

I am a fifth-year senior in the CEHSP preparing to graduate in the spring of 2007. I lived on campus my freshman and sophomore year and am now here for my last semester living in building D of the Stadium apartments. I recently wrote to Mr. Fox and Mr. Gildseth to express a concern that I have had about UMD since I was a freshman. This is what I wrote:

In my four plus years at UMD, I have been active on campus as part of Health Service's Peer Education Program and spent two years as an editor for *The Statesman*. I have voted in several student government elections as well. Over the years, I have watched UMD change in various ways, many of them aesthetic and/or non-academically-related (i.e. the Northern Shores coffee shop and its recent expansion, the Wild Ricing Moon sculpture, the 12+ million dollar SPHC renovations, etc.) Herein lies my cause for concern: How do UMD administrators decide how students' tuition money, donations and state money is spent on campus?

I feel that I have never had a straightforward opportunity to say how I would like UMD's money to be spent. The student government is responsible for a few major decisions on campus from time to time, but I have yet to see some sort of ballot or survey asking the student body what they think should be done when major decisions on campus have to be made. If you think that the SA is doing enough to speak for the rest of us, it is not. It's few and far between that an article on one of the SA's recent achievements appears in *The Statesman*, and frankly, I'd be willing to bet money that the majority of UMD students do not even realize that UMD has a student government in place.

Over the weekend, UMD maintenance staff came to my apartment to respond to a work order I gave over the phone regarding a leaking window. How was the problem fixed? We were offered a towel and a bucket. I called the maintenance office today to find out why the window had not been fixed and was told that the windows of Stadium have been leaking through the bricks for at least a few years and that a decision whether or

not to fix/tear down the apartments is still pending. What I would like to know is how you think it is acceptable to spend several million dollars on exercise equipment and gratuitous sculptures when student housing is in dire need of being updated, renovated or replaced.

Again, I would be willing to bet money that such dilapidation in your own homes would not go unfixed because you'd rather spend your money on a fountain for your garden. How you think it is acceptable for students to pay thousands of dollars to live on campus in exchange for outdated and sometimes barely functioning living spaces is beyond me, and it is beyond insulting.

If you just did not know how best to consult the student body - the population for which you do your job - I am happy to offer a couple suggestions: when you have a pile of money that needs to be spent, send out an e-mail or set up a table outside the bookstore like everyone else does and ask. Every semester, you could send a survey via email asking students to rank, in order of importance from academic materials to technology to fitness and so on, those things they

would like their money spent on. Or, if you don't trust that you'll get enough responses via email, make filling out the survey a requirement of all students. However, the chance to be heard and to make major decisions for UMD is not something many students would pass up. I guarantee this.

I hope that you consider what I have said here. It has taken me my entire college career to get to the point where I felt I could not sit by and say nothing any longer. I do not expect you to make changes that will affect me as I will be leaving UMD in less than a year; I write this to you on behalf of your future students.

If you would like to continue this correspondence via email, phone or meeting, that would be great. I would like you to have an opportunity to respond. However, I do not intend to let my concerns rest with this email and will proceed with whatever actions I feel necessary until changes are made in your administrative practices.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student questions information presented about September 11 conspiracy theory

While reading last week's article on 9/11 conspiracies, I was reminded again of how ridiculous claims like these are fueled by nothing more than a lack of information. There are two prominent 9/11 conspiracies that I will do my best to disprove; the controlled demolition of the twin towers, and the missile strike on the Pentagon. Mr. Messing hinted at these in his article, by questioning "why to this very day there has not been one official reported eyewitness account of an airplane crashing into the Pentagon?" I don't know where Mr. Messing got his information from, but there are many official eyewitness accounts of the plane hitting the Pentagon, the FBI interviewed hundreds of people. Just before striking the Pentagon, Flight 77 flew over a jam-packed highway. Omar Campo was working that day, cutting grass on the side of the road. When asked on the crash he reported, "It was a passenger plane. I think an American Airways plane. I was cutting the

grass and it came in screaming over my head. I felt the impact. The whole ground shook and the whole area was full of fire." There are hundreds of reports just like this; a simple google search of "Pentagon crash witnesses" is all one needs to do to find them.

Sep. 11 marked the first time in history in which a high-rise building collapsed from a fire. Everyone has seen the collapse, probably hundreds of times, and many people have noted the similarities between the collapse of the World Trade Center and controlled demolition of other buildings. While at face value there are several similarities, this claim really has no ground at all. Controlled demolitions take weeks, if not months to set up. Don't you think at least one of the 10,000 office workers in the towers would have noticed construction teams gutting the walls of their office to rig high-explosives to the beams of the building? Controlled demolitions are also very loud. Go to YouTube or any other video site and search for

one. It takes a powerful explosive to destroy steel beams, and those explosives are very loud. The fact of the matter is that those towers collapsed because of fire and something called panicking, which is where the impact of one floor falling into the one beneath it causes a whole new collapse. The same thing happened in Seoul in 1995, when the ceiling of the Sampoong Department Store collapsed, causing the whole building to pancake down killing 501 people. The ultimate reason that the towers collapsed into their own footprint is simple, down is the direction that gravity points. When looking at conspiracy theories, I like to remember this to put things into context: the government couldn't even cover up a burglary and a skanky intern, do you really think they could cover up the murder of 3,000 of its own people?

Jonathan Sogard

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Obesity makes case for phy-ed

By Olivia Morales
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A study being done by St. Luke's Foundation and Denfeld High School is designed to illustrate how important physical education is in our schools' daily routine.

This is an important topic because of the obesity epidemic effecting America's youth. The World Health Organization calls obesity "one of the greatest public health challenges of the 21st century."

Obesity is defined as having 30 percent or higher body fat. Diabetes, cardiovascular

disease and high blood pressure are just a few health problems being obese or overweight can lead to.

The No Child Left Behind Act states that schools are not required to offer phy-ed, so the programs have to prove they are essential. I don't think this should've been put into effect. It sounds like an excuse for everyone to skip a physical routine.

With obesity causing significant health problems in America and the rest of the world, why get rid of anything that could help a student get and stay fit? Granted, old teaching methods were a bit

"old school," because everyone had to go through the same activity, but now many schools are updating their curriculum to adapt to the individual needs of students.

Phy-ed should stay in the schools. It is a way to help young people maintain a healthy mentality. It's important to learn to eat healthy and be physically fit at an early age. This is one step that will help shrink the percentage of obesity in our schools and our country.

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Obesity fast facts

- In 2003-04, 17.1 percent of children and adolescents 2-19 years of age (over 12 and a half million) were overweight, and 32.2 percent of adults (over 66 million) were obese. Almost 5 percent of adults were extremely obese.
- The prevalence of overweight and obesity among adults 20-74 years of age increased from 47 percent in 1976-80 to 65 percent in 1999-2002.
- Never married adults were among the least likely to be overweight or obese.
- Colorado has the lowest rate of obesity in the United States.
- In 2001, men and women were approximately equally likely to be classified as obese.

All statistics from www.cdc.gov/women/natstat/overwght.htm

Bush administration sets a bad example

By Vladimir Messing
Statesman Staff Writer

Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, in his address to the United Nations assembly in New York last week, very calmly referred to President Bush as the "Devil" and "Global Dictator."

Ironically, his address

was received by world leaders much more warmly than was that of our very own President Bush's, a man who regards himself as a world leader by vowing to spread global democracy, yet possesses the mental capacity of a shoe.

The contradictions of the Bush administration are so

obvious that one would have to be on the same intelligence level as Bush himself not be able to realize them. I wonder how they go about making their decisions, perhaps it goes something like this:

"I think it's time to spread global democracy. Here's what we do: first, we have to get rid of health care and

make education less affordable for the middle class.

"Second, we must never take into consideration the constructive criticism offered to us by our foreign allies; or in other words, screw the French! The only thing they ever did for us was finance the American Revolution so we could gain our independence and become a sovereign nation.

"Third, we must centralize the power of the executive branch and take as many dumps on the system of checks and balances as possible.

"Fourth, we must increase the salaries for all CEO's of Fortune 500 companies.

"Fifth, we must violate the Constitution and infringe on the civil liberties of our own citizens.

"Sixth, we must violate the Geneva Convention and engage in torture; surely this will make the international community praise the United States for their ethical and moral conduct."

Meanwhile, as violence escalates in Afghanistan and Iraq, the number of casualties this war has claimed is horrific; undoubtedly, this is spreading radicalism throughout the Muslim

world, and yet, as our leaders report, "we are making great progress my fellow Americans, please continue to go shopping." In the mean time, we tell Iran they must halt their nuclear ambitions, and why shouldn't we? We only have the world's largest nuclear reserve, and we're the only nation in the history of mankind to ever use it in combat.

But don't worry guys, everything is fine, whatever animosity certain people in the Muslim world have toward the United States and the Western world was surely compounded last week when the Pope quoted a 14th century Byzantine Emperor who stated, "show me just what Muhammad brought that was new, and there you will find things only evil and inhuman," according to the Washington Post. I really think this comment will make the world forget about his days as a Third Reich participant with the Hitler Youth during WWII.

I think the Bush administration is absolutely right guys, I think we're making great progress.

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Pope Benedict XVI at a meets with dignitaries from around the Muslim world, Monday.

AP Photo

#umor

Senior citizens have problems at the pump

By Eric Simon
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Is it just me or have the elderly completely lost their minds? The other day I had some guy in his seventies come up to me and ask if I could help him pump gas. As if for some reason the whole follow the instructions on the machine thing was beyond his comprehension. What's even worse is the fact that he kept telling me he needed some "unleaded gasoline." When was the last time you were at a gas station with leaded gasoline? Because every gas station I've ever been to in the history of my being has only had unleaded gasoline.

Unfortunately for me, I am somehow incapable of being a jerk to complete strangers, so I went over to

help him out. You know what the genius forgot to do? Squeeze the handle. The basic principle of pulling the trigger had somehow eluded this fellow.

Now the really sad part is that this has happened to me more than once. There have been multiple times when an old man has approached me with a questioning look in his eye and said, "Sonny, can you help me get this goll darn contraption to work?" Like the time an old man asked me to demonstrate all the steps involved



to get the gas flowing. He failed to mention that the car he was standing next to was not his. Once I got the pump

going, he thanked me and walked back to his vehicle, leaving me pumping gas into a complete stranger's car. The embarrassment quickly turned to concern as I was definitely not paying to put gas in someone else's car because some old man can't follow written instructions. I took the nozzle out of the gas tank and ran like hell.

The real question here is "Why me?" Every time this has happened I was wearing a black leather trench coat, a hat with a skull on it and a scowl that would make your grandma cringe. In other words I wasn't going for a real people person look. Instead, I was going for a if-you-so-much-as-talk-to-me-I'll-cut-you look, yet somehow, old people are drawn to me. I would say it's my devilishly good looks but yeah freaking

right.

So if you're an old person reading this, I have some stuff that needs to be said. First, why do you people like me so much? Second, if you cannot pump your own gas, you have ceased being a fully functional adult and should either become a hermit or give up and die.

To be fair, most old people are probably pretty cool. Take for instance my grandmother who sends me cards on every holiday and always has cookies ready when you visit her. However, I have personally seen her pump gas, send email and place a phone call, so the rest of you seniors need to catch up or ship out.

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Meet...Your Textbook

By Tristan Tandberg
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Quick! Hurry up! We have to be to class soon. Owww you just stepped on me. Pick me UP! I am under the shirt. UNDER THE SHIRT!! What are you doing? You already looked at the desk. Hurry up we have ten minutes. And side note, please don't eat lasagna with me, I would like to be sold on ebay later in my life for more than 65 cents on eBay.

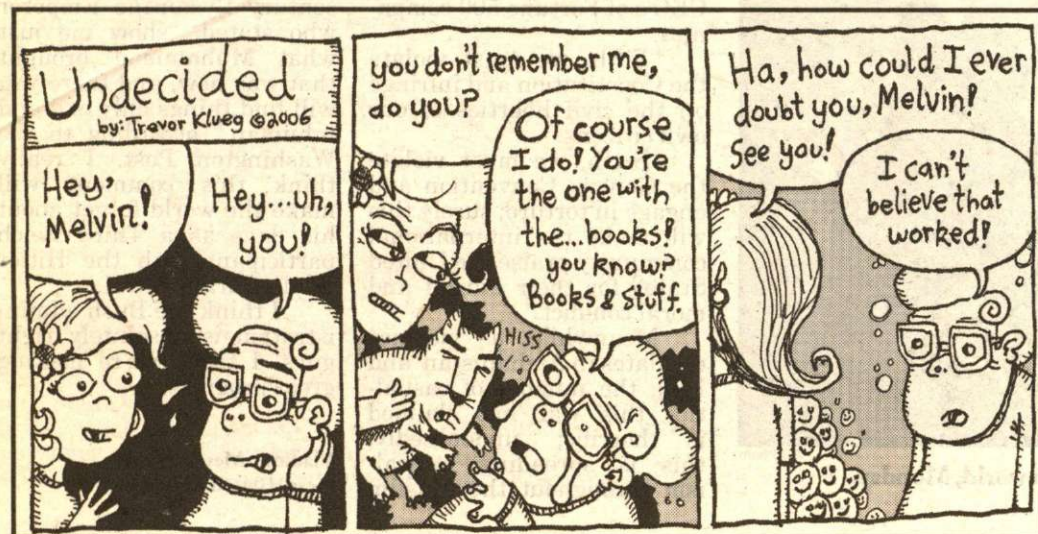
Good you finally found me. WHAT!! Is that a peanut butter and jelly sandwich in your bag? I am NOT sitting next to a peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Get your hands off me!

You know I didn't want to be an engineering textbook, that was my parents idea. They said engineering books make so much money, sometimes over \$150 in the bookstore, while art books usually go for some where in

the neighborhood of \$40.

Look, as long as I am your book, can you do me a favor and not follow your teacher's example when he has a "Dead Poets Society" moment and tells the entire class to rip out the first chapter of their books. That hurts!

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Top Ten Questions We Can't Answer

By Amy Forsell
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10. What wouldn't I do for a Klondike Bar?
9. Why are the people who get caught on "Cops" the same people who watch it every week?
8. When someone farts in the hall, why am I always the first person to walk through it?
7. Do cherubs freak anyone else out?
6. Has Pat Sajak ever brought a gun to "Wheel of Fortune" just to spice things up?
5. Why do old people always pay in exact change?
4. My mom acts like my dad's porn collection really offends her, but is she just covering up her nasty side?
3. How many women watch "Desperate Housewives" just because they think they're supposed to?
2. Does anyone else find it sad when people go to movies by themselves?
1. What if there's a Water Bottle World where water bottles carry tiny people to their classes on small grappling hooks?

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puzzles

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ACROSS

- 1 Lamb's pen name
5 Knot lace
8 Maori seagoing canoe
12 Concentrated (abbr.)
13 Cheer
14 King killed by Samuel
15 Ger. exclamation
16 Malt liquor
17 Tibetan priest
18 Serpent worship
20 Helm
22 Old Irish counterfeit coin
23 Bustle
24 Marvel
28 Of the eye
32 One-spot
33 Tree
35 Amer. Cancer Society (abbr.)
36 Greek letter

- 39 Arp
42 Camel hair cloth
44 Science class
45 Evaluate
48 Plant filament
52 Legume
53 Warp yarn
55 S.A. toucan
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60 Pub fare
61 Blind in falconry

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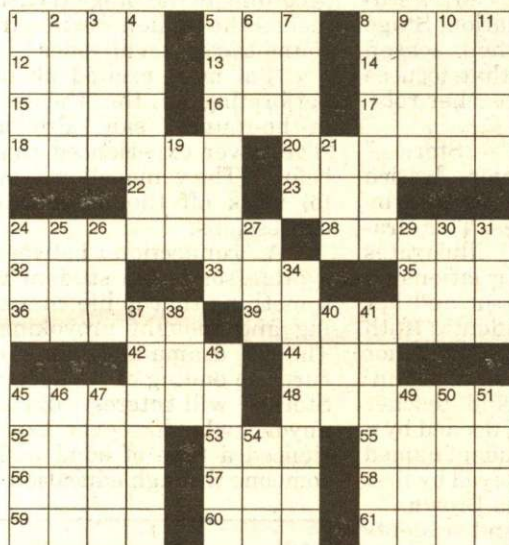
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7 Greek letter
8 Smash
9 Bedouin headband cord
10 Ridge created by a glacier
11 Seaweed
19 Skin vesicle

- 21 Artificial language
24 Brit. halfpenny
25 Amazon tributary
26 Rapid eye movement (abbr.)
27 Ancient times
29 Jap. porgy
30 Science of (suf.)
31 Central standard time (abbr.)
34 Drone (2 words)
37 Bacchante
38 Absolute (abbr.)
40 Arabic letter
41 Fortification of felled trees
43 Hindu prayer position
45 Father: Hebrew
46 Caulerize
47 Room (Sp.)
49 Accent
50 Lo (Lat.)
51 Bun
54 Formal dance (Fr.)



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Answers to sudoku on page 7.

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Arts & Entertainment

Thursday, September 28, 2006

Mates of State fills Ballroom

By Ron Parpart
Statesman Staff Reporter

Mates of State (MOS) is a band whose music is just as unique as their story.

The duo is made up of Kori Gardner (organs, vox) and Jason Hammel (drums, vox), a couple who have gone

REVIEW through a lot of changes since 2001. They quit their jobs, got married, had a child, moved from coast to coast and toured internationally. Luckily for students at UMD, they found time to fit in playing a show in the UMD Ballroom on the evening of Sept. 20, while on tour in support of their new release, "Bring It Back."

At 7:45 p.m. there were already a handful of students waiting in line for the show whose doors wouldn't even open for almost another hour and a half.

One of these students was sophomore Beth Nygard, a fan of MOS who read about the show on a blog and bought tickets two months in advance.

"(MOS's sound) is poppy, unique and different from everything else out there," said Nygard.

Starlight Mints opened with their brand of indie/pop to successfully set the pace, starting off the set with an instrumental. It was hard not to notice what each musician contributed, whether it was Andy Nunez melodically rearing on his drums or Marian Nunez dancing in high heels and yelling into a



CLARK KIMBALL/STATESMAN

Mates of State member Jason Hammel performs a track from their new release, "Bring It Back" while at UMD on Sept. 20.

microphone through a cone.

By the time MOS took the stage, the crowd was excited for the performance. Within the first two songs their infectious sound had taken over, and the large crowd began dancing. In fact, the entire floor in front of the stage had been overtaken with dancers.

Aside from their sound being enough to engage the crowd, MOS interacted on stage like newlyweds rather than a couple married for five years, giving each other glances as they played and shared inside jokes between songs. These are things that might alienate a crowd, but instead they seemed to have the complete opposite effect. One student even used the word "cute-tastic" to describe them.

Even though they had in-depth careers as a school teacher (Gardner) and cancer

researcher (Hammel), music has always been a part of who they are.

"Growing up, the two things I would always play were school; I would always be a teacher or play like we were a band," said Gardner.

Gardner and Hammel worked until they had saved up enough money and couldn't balance making music and their jobs. They then made the choice to pursue their musical career.

"(We decided) we'll save up for one year, so we can pay for rent in case we don't make any money making music," said Hammel.

They never had to go back to their previous jobs. MOS has been on tour ever since 2001 and after their show at UMD, it's easy to see why.

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Theater season starts off with "Collected Stories"

By Renae Conrad
Statesman Staff Reporter

Throughout their education, every student has that one teacher they admire; someone who is significant in his or her life.

That teacher is the one who gives meaning to an individual's education and helps a student find importance in life's most complicated issues. On Oct. 5, UMD's student run organization, Stage II, is starting their season off with a play that focuses on that student/teacher relationship.

"Collected Stories," directed by senior Jessica Davis, is a play written by Donald Margulies. This dramatic comedy illustrates the dynamic relationship between a professor and her adoring grad-student. Ruth Steiner, played by senior Heather Trow, is a distinguished writer and teacher who finds herself flooded by a flustered grad-student named Lisa Morrison, played by first year student Gina Brown.

"Professors and students can relate to this growing relationship and bond," said Davis.

Eager to direct "Collected Stories," Davis is excited to see all the aspects of the play come together.

"I have all the confidence in my actors and designers. Although it has been a very short amount of time to put this play together, I couldn't be more pleased with the people I'm working with," said Davis.

Only having experience as a performer, Davis has

been working on "Collected Stories" since last year. The Stage II cast and crew had been working hard well before the school year to get this production ready for the Oct. 5 opening night.

"Collected Stories" will be performed in the Dudley Experimental Theater on campus. The set of the play will be positioned as a theatre-in-the-round, which according to the Stage II cast, means the audience will surround the set on all sides.

"I'm most excited about performing in the theatre-in-the-round," said Brown. "I've never experienced that before. (The venue allows you to) work off the audience's expressions."

A connection between a professor and a student is something that is life changing and thought provoking. The wit, drama and rumored surprise ending of "Collected Stories" will interest almost anyone who has ever experienced a type of bond with someone through education.

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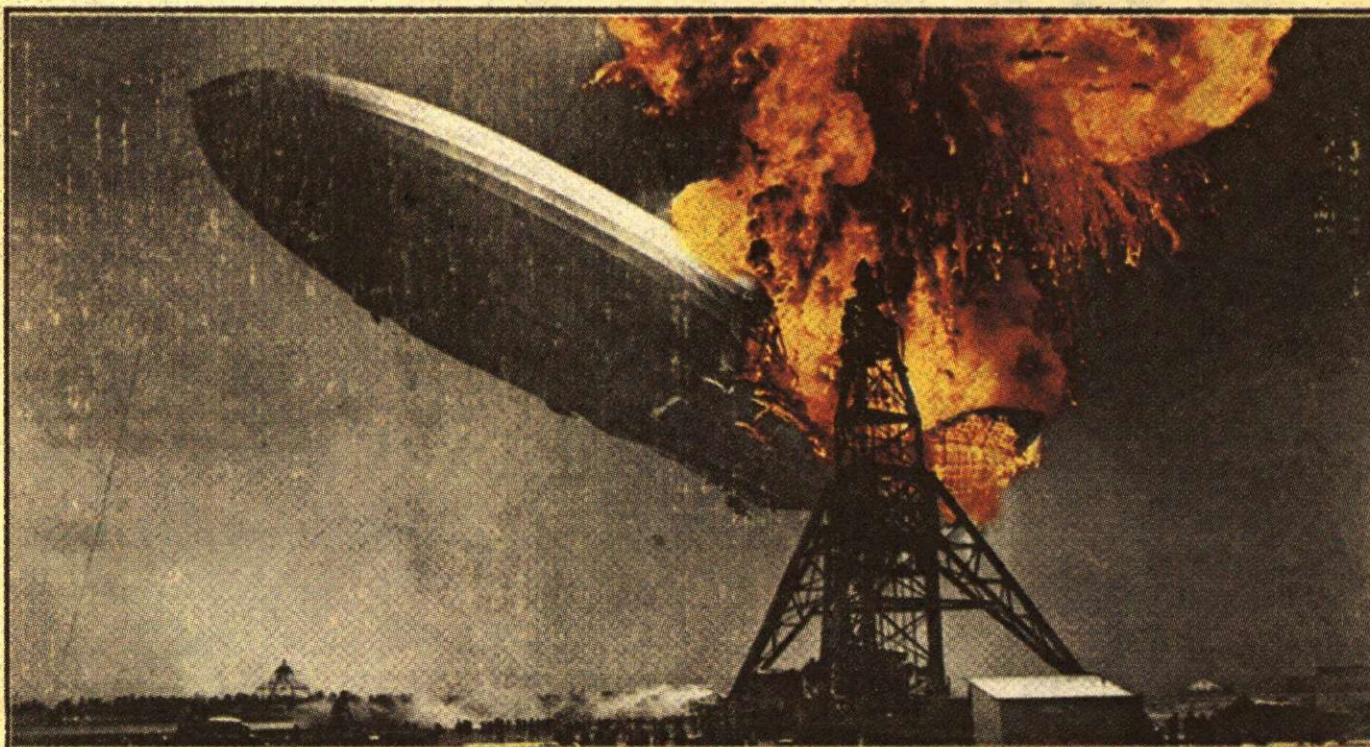
What: "Collected Stories"
Where: Dudley Experimental Center
When: Oct. 5-8
Doors open at:
Thur-Sat: 7 p.m.
Sun: 1 p.m.
Price: \$5

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Entertainment Spotlight

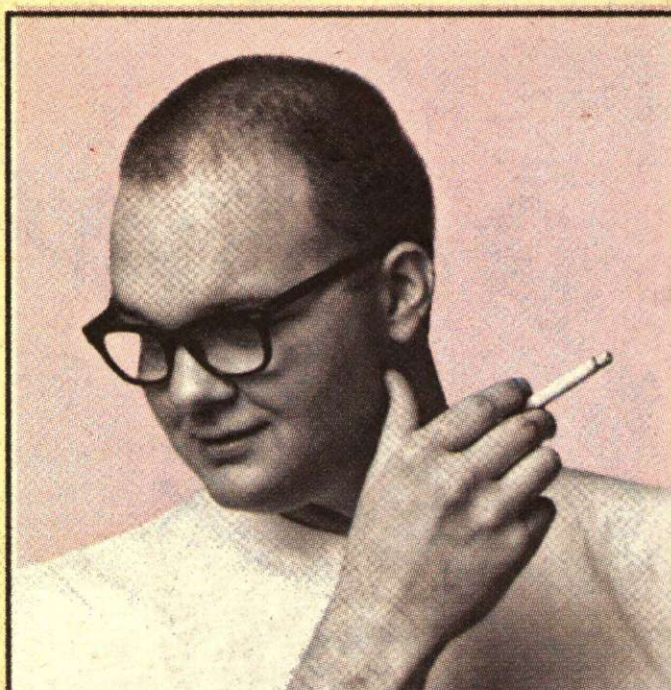
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5th Annual Concert Weber Music Hall 7:30 p.m. \$15	Pert' Near Sandstone Devil's Flying Machine Pizza Lucé 10 p.m. \$5	Stoltzman & Son Weber Music Hall 7:30 p.m. \$15 for students \$20 for non-students	Charlie Parr Pizza Lucé 11 a.m. Free	Open Mic Comedy Night The Play Ground 8 p.m. \$3	The Bad Plus Ballroom - 10 p.m. Free for students/\$15 Student Show - Tweed Kara Skildum & Rachel Girard	Limbeck Rafters 10 p.m. Free for students Non-students \$5

BAD Rationalizations THROUGHOUT HISTORY



"AS LONG AS WE HAVE A DESIGNATED SMOKING LOUNGE, IT SHOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM."

— Paul von Hindenburg



"I'LL QUIT SMOKING WHEN I GRADUATE."

— Lifelong Smoker

"SURE, HE'S
A BIT
TEMPERAMENTAL.
BUT I'LL BE
QUEEN!"



— KATHERINE HOWARD, Fifth Wife of Henry VIII

RESEARCH SHOWS THAT
MOST STUDENTS WHO
SAY THEY'LL QUIT SMOKING
AFTER COLLEGE CAN'T.



'Dafur Diaries' documentary tells story of survival

By Ali Draves
Statesman Staff Reporter

"The Darfur Diaries" gave students an opportunity to witness a current and undocumented political crisis.

"I feel Darfur is a chance for students to understand different cultures and engage in dialogue with an expertise speaker. It is really exciting," said Alexis Pogorelskin associate professor of history and advocate for the Center for Holocaust, Genocide and Human Rights Studies, which helped sponsor this event.

The Royal D. Alworth, Jr. Institute for International Studies and Amnesty

International co-sponsored this event, and with their help, UMD was exposed to the gripping documentary that over 10,000 people have already seen.

Jen Marlowe, one of the directors and producers of "Dafur Diaries," showed the documentary in the Library Rotunda last Thursday.

"Dafur is just like any other place in this world, with articulate, compassionate and intelligent people," said Marlowe. "Their life is just as worthwhile as yours and to be able to look into their eyes and see their individual story, it's a privilege."

Darfur, a region about the size of Texas, sits on the

borders of Chad and Sudan. Sudan is dominated by many different African and Arab tribes, all of them Muslim, according to the documentary.

The president of Sudan, Omar Bashir, and his regime has advocated oppression and violence within Sudan for decades, although the support for this government is nearly nonexistent.

The Sudanese government has kept the many different tribes separate, in hopes to relinquish rebellions. This "divide and conquer" structure makes it easier to eliminate any rebellion because the tribes cannot communicate and bind together.

The African and Arab communities within Sudan have always had difficulties interacting and maintaining peace with each other, usually because of land disputes and crops, but they had found a way to live somewhat peacefully for many years prior to the Darfur crisis.

In February 2003, the Sudanese Liberation Army in Darfur began a rebellion against the Sudanese government. The government responded with the large-

scale murder of civilians, the destruction of villages and mass rape of women and girls with much help from their allied militia, the Janjaweed.

Since the conflict started in 2003, over 2 million people have been displaced inside Darfur or have fled to neighboring countries for refuge. Thousands of villages have been burned and pillaged and more than 400,000 civilians have died, according to darfurdiaries.org.

"The government uses their aerial bombs to soften up the area, and then, they send in the Janjaweed to finish off the village," said Marlowe.

In most villages, the Janjaweed kill those that can't run away, while destroying hospitals, schools and burning the rest of the buildings, including the houses of the civilians.

The militia separates motives from their children and takes livestock, valuables and possessions, according to the documentary.

Most civilians are homeless and walk through the hot desert without food and water. Thousands of these refugees flee into Chad, who willingly opened its borders

to the people of Darfur.

"Chad is a desperately poor country that is struggling to keep its own resources manageable, and they are still letting these refugees into their country," said Marlowe.

This current political crisis has been kept out of the news circuit for quite some time, and the international response has been minimal. The United States and other powerhouse countries have stayed on good relations with the Sudanese government.

The mainstream media defined this as an ethnic conflict, the Africans against the Arabs, but the Sudanese government was to blame, according to Marlowe.

"At most, the news picked up a twenty-second sound bite, but it lacked the real testimonies. That's why we did this, to tell the stories they can't tell," said Marlowe.

Marlowe and her colleagues Adam Shapiro and Aisha Bain captured the citizens of Darfur in their greatest time of need, shooting more than 45 hours of footage and testimonies.

They snuck across the border into the most heated

area of conflict and went right in the refugee camps to find the real story. The team also paid close attention to the children in the refugee camps and villages, because they have no voice and deserve to be heard. They also interviewed several UN workers and medical personnel but decided not to use their footage because they couldn't relate to the true stories of the victims.

"We wanted to just hear the people of Darfur, and capture their hopes, their dreams and their struggles," said Marlowe.

"The Darfur Diaries" allows the civilians to relay their experiences and stories to the world, which are both gripping and terrifying.

The Sudanese Liberation Army continues to use their resistance and arms against the Sudanese government, and the civilians are desperately fighting for their survival.

In many refugee camps, civilians are using mud and water to rebuild schools and are trying to educate their children because they feel it is the only way to ensure a better future. The teach-

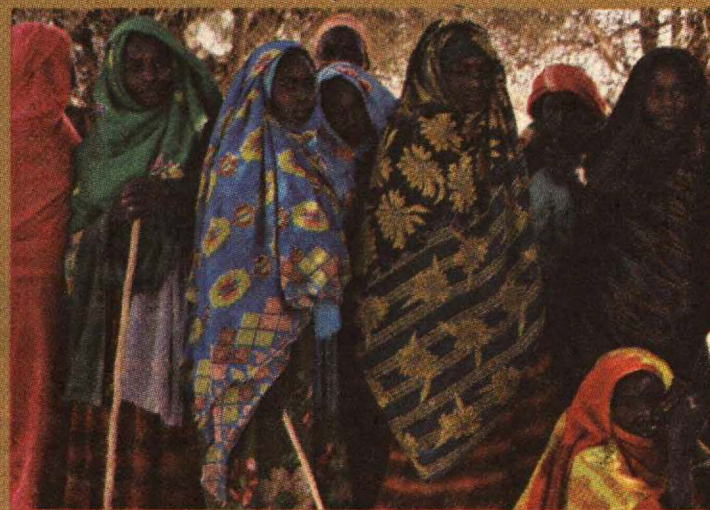
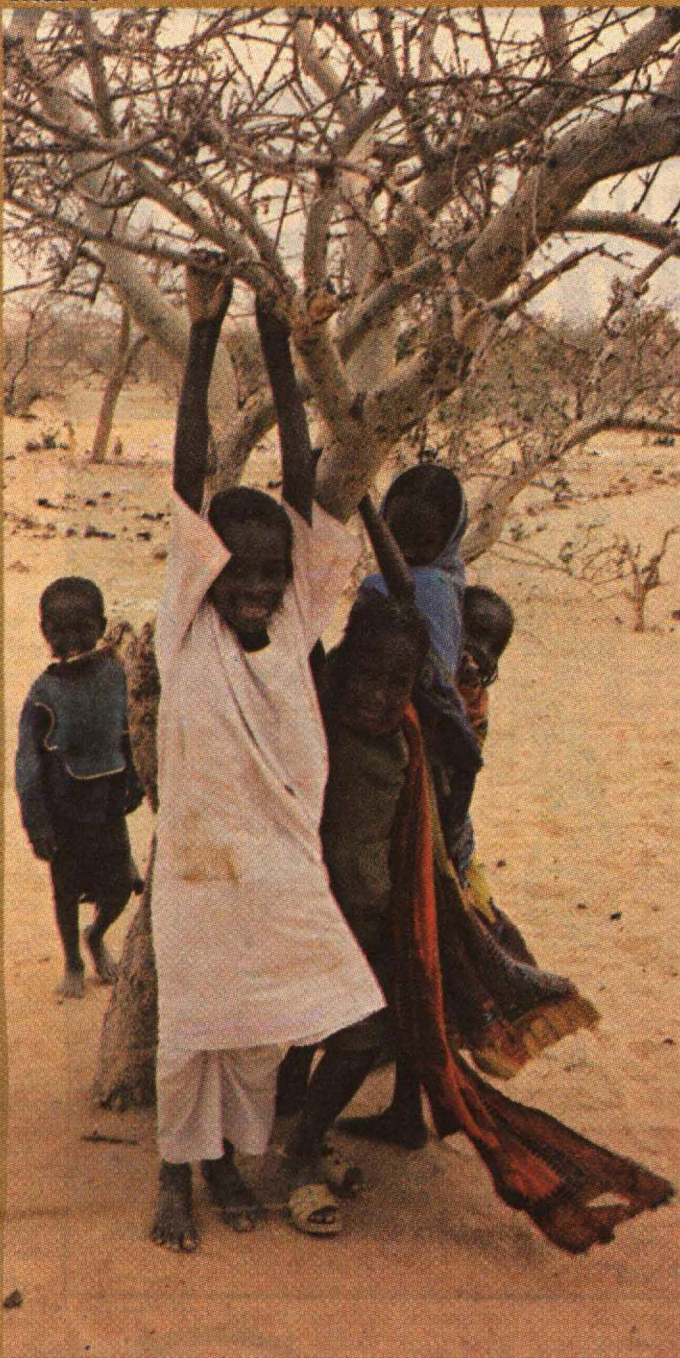
ers there make up their own lessons and teach without books. Most schools hold up to 500 pupils and are continuously growing.

Marlowe and her colleagues have started an education fund to help rebuild more schools in Darfur and continue to be a constant beacon of hope within the citizens' lives.

Much of the activism for the Darfur crisis comes from students and has forced the United States to take more of a positive action against the Sudanese government. Harvard students have convinced their school to disinvest in petroleum oil.

"This noise from students is getting the U.S. to engage in Darfur," said Marlowe. "The activism is becoming louder, and they are helping accomplish something."

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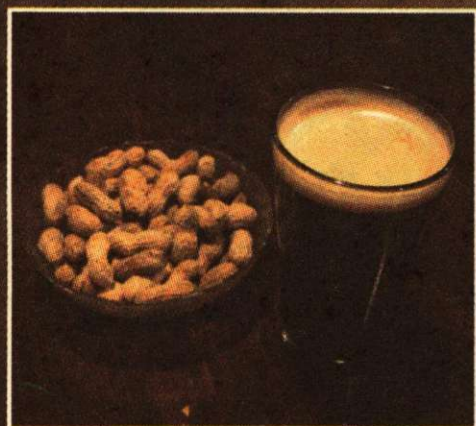
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Graduates get guidance

By Jackie Zahorsky
Statesman Guest Contributor

Preparing for graduate school can be a pain; there is money to save up and tests to take.

The University of Wisconsin-Superior (UWS) is offering some aspirin. It's called the McNair Scholars Program (MSP).

"We are a graduate school preparation program, and UMD students can apply," said program director Sue Holm.

MSP is a nationwide program named after Dr. Ronald E. McNair. He was one of the seven astronauts killed in the Space Shuttle *Challenger* in 1986. This program works by assigning the student to a faculty mentor related to the student's field of study. They then perform research in that field. There were five UMD students who participated in the 2006 program. Kristy Smith was one of them and was more than pleased with what she had learned.

"I loved it and all the people I met. It's a good connection maker," said Smith. "Also, research before going to graduate school is highly recognized and this (McNair

Program) gives you so much more information."

In addition to research, McNair provides workshops and seminars. The topics range from funding for graduate school to GRE test preparation. Smith was told about the program by UMD Career Services counselor Sonya Olsen. UMD's Career Services works collaboratively with UWS in MSP.

"We encourage students to seek out other opportunities, and the McNair Scholars Program is a great opportunity for students wanting to go to graduate school," said Olsen.

Abdalla Abdalla represented UMD in the McNair Scholars Program with Smith. He heard about the program through an information session.

"Sue Holm came to the school last year to talk about the program," said Abdalla. "I then asked my research advisor about it, and I was told to go for it."

Because the MSP is federally funded, there are applicant qualifications, and students need to qualify in one of two ways. The first is he or she needs to be income eligible and be a first gen-

eration college student. The final qualification is the student must fall under a group that is underrepresented in graduate school, including Native American, Hispanic or African American.

There are many benefits to MSP. Students get application fee waivers from participating graduate institutions and opportunities to visit graduate schools. After the student completes the research, there is a stipend of \$2,800 and a publication of his or her work. Smith says graduate schools are paying her to go to their school.

"The graduate school I am looking at now is offering me free tuition and \$10,000 just to go there," said Smith. "It's common for schools to offer McNair students fellowships and scholarships."

Applications are being accepted now through Oct. 20. An information session about the program will be held in Solon Campus Center 25 from 5:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 2.

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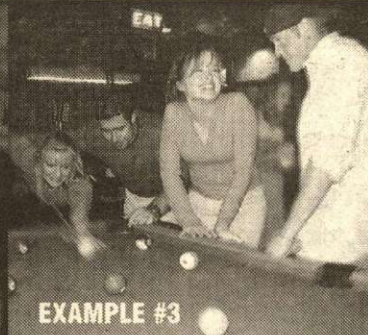
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Taxi popularity grows

By Maggie Muller
Statesman Guest Contributor

Plagued with problems since the beginning, the Bulldog Taxi program is now struggling with the issue of misleading information in students' eyes.

Last April, the Bulldog Taxi program started after a long-awaited delay. This year it is more successful, but it doesn't have the numbers it thought it would.

The \$2 fee per student journey seems almost too good to be true.

"I haven't used the cabs; I just know it's cheap; I don't know who to call or what the restrictions are," said senior Nick Bjerken.

The Bulldog Taxi Program was formed to encourage students to be safer by the Student Association (SA) and the Custom Cab Company.

The deal grants any registered UMD student and any three friends a safe and secure ride within the designated area for \$2 per each person riding.

There are, however, a few minor stipulations for this cheap taxi cab ride. First, you have to be a registered, full-time student.

"When we signed up last year, we found out afterwards that there many

things that you couldn't do. We felt misled," said seniors Lindsey Bade and Nicole Reardon who haven't renewed their registration yet this year.

Regardless, the number of students who have decided to register has gone up since last year.

THE FACTS

- **Hours:** 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- **Cost:** \$2 per person
- **Cab to call:** Custom Cab
- **Designated areas:** Most of the Duluth area.
- **Register:** at the desk located near the Life Science building.

"We've had it going since school began, and now, there is already 1,100 members, compared to 800 members in April," said Meghan Keil the SA president. "It's actually more successful."

Many students on campus still do not realize that the program exists. Keil wanted to make sure plans for the \$2 taxi program were finalized before SA put the word out there.

"We wanted to get our bearings first before we let the full Statesman audience completely in the know," said Keil.

"The first three times we had a few cab companies fill out insurance paperwork, they didn't go through," said Keil. "The fourth time it was with Custom Cab Company, and now, we're in business."

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Thursday, September 28, 2006

Must do Duluth: See the fall colors

By Aaron Giannobile
Statesman Staff Writer

Fall is here and the leaves are turning to beautiful, warm colors right outside your back door.

Duluth is an oasis of the north woods and offers many places to enjoy the last taste of nice weather before the ground freezes.

Bagley Nature Area and Hartley Park are the closest places for UMD students to hike and experience what Duluth can offer for fall colors.

Hartley lies just north of UMD, while Bagley is directly behind Oakland Apartments. The trees are changing above the calm water of Rock Pond, and the east and west trails measure just over 1.5 miles. It is a quick and close way to get out and see the colors of fall.

"Close to campus, I like hiking Bagley Nature Area," said Mariah Jeske, a junior at UMD majoring in outdoor recreation and education. "I would encourage any student to get out for a hike or a walk in the next month because autumn is a beautiful, colorful time."

For students with access to a car and some gas money, head up the North Shore to the Superior Hiking Trail (SHT).

The SHT stretches 205 miles along the ridgeline above Lake Superior from Two Harbors to the Canadian border. It has 81 back-

country campsites and offers beautiful vistas of the north woods for hikers as fall turns the leaves into a beautiful, fiery blaze.

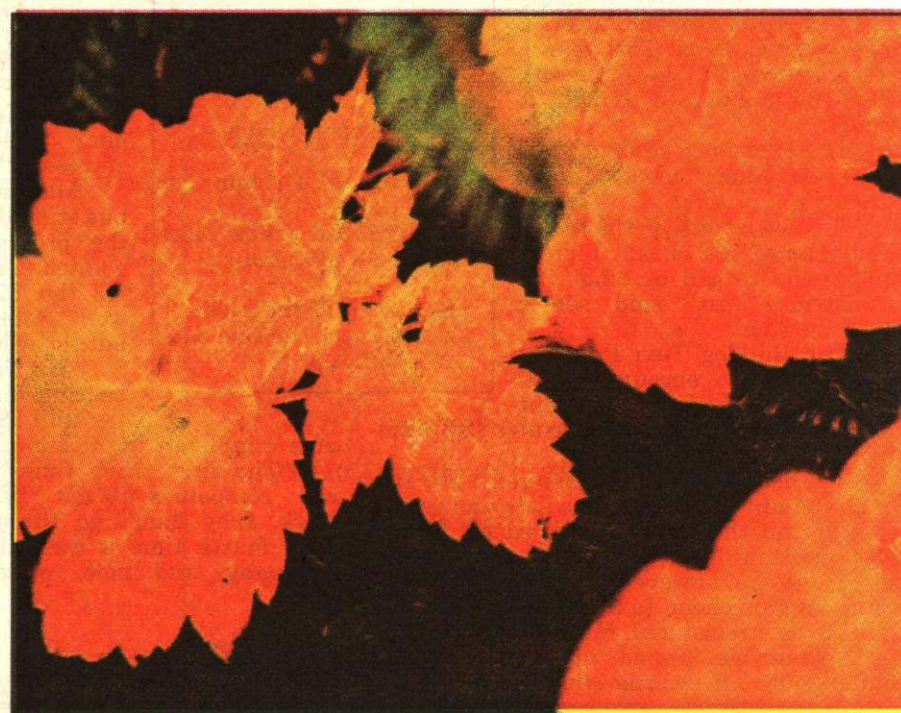
"The oaks and the maples are turning," said Judy Gibbs who works with the Superior Hiking Trail Association. "It's gorgeous."

The trail was built and is currently maintained by the member-based Superior Hiking Trail Association and a project is underway to connect the trail that ends in Two Harbors to Jay Cooke State Park with a 39 mile addition that cuts through Duluth and even UMD's own Bagley Nature Area.

For those willing to take a road trip, the Bayfield Apple Festival is happening next weekend and a drive along the South Shore will get you there in about an hour and a half. The drive itself is a spectacle of fall colors with many tall, yellow-leaved birches and red maples along the way.

Bayfield is surrounded by the Apostle Islands and a \$10 ferry ride takes you to Madeline Island, the largest of the chain. The island is very remote and bikes or mopeds can be rented in the old downtown area for around \$8 to \$16 per hour.

An exhilarating way to see the fall colors closer to UMD is by taking a long climb on a bike ride up Seven Bridges Road. It starts on East Superior Street and Occidental Boulevard and winds up-hill along the Lester River. Narrow old-fashioned bridges



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Fiery, fall colored leaves rest upon a contrasting background of pine needles.

made of round stones and concrete line the road. The trickling sound of Lester River can be heard until the road forks and runs off to Hawk Ridge.

The peak of Hawk Ridge offers views of East Duluth and the harbor. If you hit the peak color change right,

the view is spectacular and lies just a couple of miles away from campus.

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Rain doesn't stop RSOP trek into Porcupine Mountains

By Jud Turk
Statesman Staff Reporter

Ten UMD students traveled to the Upper Peninsula of Michigan and hiked through Michigan's largest area of undeveloped wilderness last week.

The students left last Friday from the Sports and Health Center. The troop was led by Brandon Keinath and Nicole Vander Heiden into approximately 35,000 square acres of uncut forest. Brandon said the reason for this journey outside of Minnesota and into the Porcupine Mountains is because there are things there that can't be seen here.

"There are actually a lot larger forests, and Cloud Lake is a huge lake," said Keinath. "The mountains provide a sweeping view where you can see for miles."

It took about four hours to get to their starting destination for their journey into the mountains. The group began their first hike at the Big Carpe River Trail Head. While on this short two mile hike, the group was able to notice why they chose this time of year to see the state park.

"The reason for this trip was to see the unique landscape and the colors," said Keinath. "We hit it right on. It was sweet."

The group set up camp after the short hike and settled in for their longer day Saturday. They got an early start and began their seven mile trek only to have rain pour down around noon, which didn't cease until Sunday.

"The biggest problem happened once Saturday hit," said Keinath. "It made everything wet, but I wouldn't say that it was a big problem because the rain made the colors more

vibrant."

Saturday ended with the group of students setting up camp and cooking dinner in the rain.

"That was the other good thing about the rain. We were all huddled under this tarp trying to cook dinner and stay dry. It was really fun," said Keinath.

The rain did not help the troopers get sleep, but it left some fog for them in the morning.

"That morning we saw the fog cover over the mountains," said Keinath. "The only thing you could see was the peaks of the mountains through the cloud cover."

The clan of students ended their journey by taking a hike back to where they started from but not without spending some time in the sun at Cloud Lake.

"You know how it is... the sun is always shining on the day you're

leaving," said Keinath.

There isn't another trip planned to visit the Porcupine Mountains through UMD again until next fall, but Keinath feels that there are a lot of trails that almost anyone would be capable of going on their own.

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Please note the October 8 recital is CANCELLED. Tickets can be purchased by calling the UMD Ticket Office at 218-726-8877 or visiting the ticket office located in the Marshall Performing Arts Center Monday - Friday between 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Ticket sales begin at Weber Music Hall box office 11/2 hours prior to the performance time.

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Thursday, September 28th, GLBTQI orientation for new and returning students. GLBT Services, QASU and First Year Experience will team up and give you a list of fun events coming up, discuss mentoring, and facilitate a discussion of life on and off campus. Exchange info on classes and form your network of support/friends, etc. Come and eat free pizza and pop and enjoy! For info, contact Angie Nichols, Director of GLBT Services: 726-7300 (this event is for new AND returning students!)

MULTICULTURAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS FALL 2006

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Monday, October 2 Hispanic/Latino/Chicana Heritage Celebration. Justice for Women on the Border Stop Femicide! Speaker Veronica Rosario Leyva, Kirby Ballroom, 12 NOON.
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Jargons

October 9 - "Japan, Southern Island Kyushu, and Tokyo" - Rafters

Share the experiences of Shirley Garber as she sampled Japanese cuisine, toured shrines, ritual baths, rice paddies, and the American Naval base at Yokusuka.

October 23 - "Peru, South America, Amazon River Clinic Project Rotary District 5580" - Rafters

Dave Rutford traveled with a group of Northern Minnesota Rotarians to Peru and the Amazon River to build a clinic for an American doctor who transported her practice to the Amazon.

Lectures

October 2 - "Dragonflies and Damselflies in our Northern Habitat" - Rafters

Did you know that dragonflies migrate? Robert DuBois, aquatic ecologist with the Ecological Inventory and Monitoring Section of the Bureau of Endangered Resources in the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, will share the fascinating world of dragonflies and damselflies.

October 30 - "Supernova Early Warning System" - Rafters

Dr. Alec Habig, Associate Professor of Physics at UMD and operations manager for the MINOS neutrino detector, will explain the Supernova Early Warning System and the part played by the detector at the Tower-Soudan mine.

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Horoscope

By Stefanie Morrison
Statesman Staff Reporter

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March 21 - April 20

It's okay to block people out if you need to, just make sure you don't end up blocking yourself in.

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April 21 - May 21

There's something extra mysterious about you this week that's going to cause someone to take a special interest in you. Soak up the extra attention.

gemini

May 22 - June 22

Stop beating yourself up, we all make mistakes and chances are, most have already forgotten. Remember, you live and you learn and that is what you're here for.

cancer

June 23 - July 23

Try being extra tolerant and supportive of a friend this week. This person will greatly appreciate your effort and will make sure it is returned.

leo

July 24 - August 23

Trust your instincts. If it feels right do it. As long as you accept responsibility for your own life there is no reason you shouldn't do what you want to.

virgo

August 24 - September 23

Notice little acts of kindness this week and share some of your own. People will notice and find themselves attracted to you and the energy that surrounds you.

libra

September 24 - October 23

You seem to be backing away lately. Sit down and try to figure out why you are doing this. Then give spending time with a close friend a chance. Afterwards, things will start to feel okay again.

scorpio

October 24 - November 22

You're tired and ready for a break. It's a good idea to use this upcoming weekend to organize yourself and to get some extra rest. Do things you enjoy but never seem to have time for, preferably things that don't take a lot of energy.

sagittarius

November 23 - December 22

The last thing you need this week is extra drama clouding up your head. Stay out of your friends' conflicts and avoid getting into your own.

capricorn

December 23 - January 19

Stop letting your past control you. It seems you've been holding back because of things that could have been. Instead, try focusing on what is and what could be.

aquarius

January 20 - February 19

You've been avoiding your work for the past three weeks and it's starting to become apparent. Don't wait until midterms to start studying - start now.

pisces

February 20 - March 20

It's important for you to spend some extra time outside this week, winter is coming and you need to get in as much fresh air as possible before then. Being with nature will help you clear your head.

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What's News—

In Business and Finance

T-Mobile Overhauls Service, Marketing

T-Mobile is expected to launch a host of new services, including a new generation of Internet phones, and to drop its celebrity pitchwoman, Catherine Zeta-Jones.

The company plans to release cellphones as early as October that can roam onto wireless Internet connections at home and in its thousands of Wi-Fi hot spots, people familiar with the plan said. It also may provide an Internet calling service. Both steps could mean less-expensive monthly phone bills for millions of consumers.

The new initiatives will be followed by a major rebranding effort, phasing out Ms. Zeta-Jones in favor of a more man-on-street approach to marketing.

These moves come after T-Mobile committed more than \$4 billion for new radio frequencies during the Federal Communications Commission's recent spectrum auctions. The new spectrum is expected to be used to build a cellular broadband network that would allow customers to surf the Web on laptops and download cellphone media content such as music and video at fast speeds.

T-Mobile declined to comment.

Health-Care Costs Outpace Inflation

The health-care premiums of employers and their workers have climbed twice as fast as wages and inflation in 2006—to nearly double their cost in 2000—and look to rise at a similar clip next year, two nationwide surveys show.

The average family premium rose 7.7% in 2006, the third year that employer health-care-cost increases have slowed since soaring nearly 14% in 2003, according to a 2,122-employer survey by the Kaiser Family Foundation and Health Research and Educational Trust.

After several years of steep rises, the cost for family coverage under an employer health plan is now \$11,480, well over the annual wage of a full-time minimum wage worker and beyond what many companies and their workers can afford. While 98% of firms with more than 200 workers still provide some sort of employee health benefits, only 60% of smaller companies do. That's down from 68% in 2000.

Even when employers offer health insurance, not all workers are eligible or can afford it, given that employers require workers to

Executive Pay

Heads of private U.S. research universities with highest compensation for 2003-2004:

NAME	SCHOOL	TOTAL COMPENSATION FROM SCHOOL
Audrey K. Dobenstein*	Wilmington College	\$1,370,973
E. Gordon Gee	Vanderbilt University	\$1,326,786
John R. Silber*	Boston University	\$1,253,352
Shirley Ann Jackson	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	\$939,346
Judith Rodin*	University of Pennsylvania	\$934,922
John E. Sexton	New York University	\$897,139

*No longer in post.

Note: Total compensation may include deferred compensation.

pay an average 27% of the premium. The share of workers covered by health insurance through their own employer has fallen to 59%, down from 63% in 2000.

Text Messaging For Faster Food

Hungry people on the go can now use the Internet or text messaging to have their food paid for and ready for pickup by the time they reach the restaurant counter.

The service is available in just a handful of cities with a limited number of participating restaurants. New businesses include go-mobo.com, which has deals with 24 restaurants in New Haven, Conn., and New York, including two Subway sandwich stores. MyTango, in the San Francisco Bay Area, lets users order food at about 13 eateries including Una Mas and CCSR Cafe.

It is unclear whether such service will be a big-enough improvement from simply ordering over the phone to become successful. Two services, one in the U.S. and another in Australia, went out of business within the past few years because of weak demand.

But Mobo is planning to target six new cities in the U.S. in 2007—including Boston, Chicago and Philadelphia—and 12 in 2008. Promoters also note that new technology has made ordering by text message easier and faster than ordering over the phone.

Starbucks Increases Coffee, Bean Prices

Starbucks plans to raise the price of its coffee by about five cents a cup, effective Oct. 3. The increase is for brewed coffee. Please turn to Next Page

Whose B-School Is Best?

Michigan Takes Lead From Dartmouth In Ongoing Tussle

By RON ALSOP

The lead in The Wall Street Journal/Harris Interactive ranking of America's top national business schools saw-sawed again this year, with the University of Michigan reclaiming the No. 1 spot from Dartmouth College.

Michigan and Dartmouth are clearly the schools to beat, with Dartmouth having achieved a first-place finish in three of the Journal's six annual rankings and Michigan now having scored two wins. (The University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School is the only school that has succeeded in besting Dartmouth and Michigan.)

Michigan owes its first-place showing in part to its emphasis on practical experience in its M.B.A. program. Recruiters say they prize Michigan graduates because they connect theory with practice.

The rankings are based on how recruiters evaluated the schools on 21 attributes, as well as the recruiter's intention to return and hire a school's graduates over the next two years. In addition, the rankings include a "mass appeal" factor, which is the number of recruiters that the schools attract.

Harris Interactive conducted

National Ranking

This ranking is based on how recruiters rated each school on 21 attributes, their future plans to recruit at the school, and the number of survey respondents who said they had recruited recently at the school. These schools tend to draw recruiters from many of the same companies, usually large national and multinational firms. To see more rankings and news about business schools, go to <http://www.careerjournal.com/reports/bschool06/>

2006 RANK	2005 RANK	UNIVERSITY (BUSINESS SCHOOL)	2006 RANK	2005 RANK	UNIVERSITY (BUSINESS SCHOOL)
1	2	University of Michigan (Ross)	10	12	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Sloan)
2	1	Dartmouth College (Tuck)	11	13	University of Chicago
3	3	Carnegie Mellon University (Tepper)	12	17	Duke University (Fuqua)
4	8	Columbia University	13	11	University of Virginia (Darden)
5	7	University of California, Berkeley (Haas)	14	14	Harvard University
6	4	Northwestern University (Kellogg)	15	10	University of Southern California (Marshall)
7	6	University of Pennsylvania (Wharton)	16	18	Cornell University (Johnson)
8	9	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (Kenan-Flagler)	17	16	New York University (Stern)
9	5	Yale University	18	15	Stanford University
			19	19	University of California, Los Angeles (Anderson)

the online survey of 4,125 recruiters (up from 3,267 respondents in 2005) from Dec. 13, 2005, to March 16, 2006—with respondents rating only schools where they said they had recent recruiting experience. To qualify for any of the three rankings, a school had to receive at least 20 recruiter ratings.

The rankings aren't necessarily a reflection of the schools with the most celebrated academic reputations. Although the 21 attributes include the curriculum and faculty, academic quality isn't the primary concern of most survey respondents. Instead, they care most

about the M.B.A. students' interpersonal and communication skills, teamwork orientation, personal ethics and integrity, analytical and problem-solving abilities, and work ethic.

That helps explain why some of the most renowned schools, such as Harvard and Stanford, don't rank as highly in the survey as their academic stature might suggest. While recognizing the brainpower of their students and faculty, recruiters complain that they often find graduates of some of the most prestigious institutions more

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Head Butt Is No Foul to Sponsors

BY MARIE VALLA

Zinedine Zidane's head butt of an opponent in the World Cup final this summer capped the soccer hero's career on a less-than-glorious note. But the world-wide attention it received has only enhanced the Frenchman's allure as an advertising pitchman.

"It just added one more layer to his personality," says Lucien Boyer, head of Havas Sports. "It made him profoundly human."

The now-retired Mr. Zidane, who earned some \$11 million in endorsements last year, has long been popular with advertisers. But in the two months since he

rammed his bald head into the chest of Italian defender Marco Materazzi and was ignominiously sent off the field, his public appeal has soared.

"From an advertising point of view, Zidane's emotional charge is twice as big today as it was before the World Cup," says Frederic Raillard of Publicis' affiliate Marcel and the creator of a television ad for telecom company Orange SA starring Mr. Zidane that ran before the incident and after.

Though France ended up losing the match, Mr. Zidane was voted the country's favorite personality in a recent newspaper poll. The head-butt sequence has been recycled into a hit song and printed on T-shirts. Sponsors like

Germany's Adidas AG and France's Danone SA have stood by Mr. Zidane.

The transformation of what could have been a black mark into a golden marketing opportunity is partly due to the immense reserve of goodwill the 34-year-old Mr. Zidane earned over the years as one of the world's most talented and graceful players. The head-butt incident was watched repeatedly as an Internet video clip and became the subject of cocktail conversations around the world.

Media speculation over what actually prompted Mr. Zidane to blow his top—and in doing so perhaps foil France's chances of winning the World Cup—also helped raise his visibility.

What's News—

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espresso beverages and every other drink Starbucks makes behind its coffee bars at all company-owned stores in the U.S., and most of its stores in Canada. Starbucks also plans to raise the price of 23 whole-bean coffee varieties by about 50 cents per pound.

The coffee giant last raised prices on its drinks in 2004 and raised the price of its whole-bean coffees about nine years ago. A company spokeswoman said that rising business costs, including for health care and raw ingredients, prompted the price increase.

Health-care costs are a big expense for Starbucks. Chairman Howard Schultz said that by the end of fiscal 2006, Starbucks will have paid more for health insurance than for coffee.

Starbucks faces growing competition in the coffee market. McDonald's launched a more robust blend of coffee this year and Dunkin' Donuts plans to triple the number of stores it operates in the next three years.

Branson's Billions To Fight Warming

Britain's Sir Richard Branson plans to invest \$3 billion in technologies to help combat global warming. The money will come from 100% of the profits and other proceeds of his Virgin Group transportation units and will be invested over 10 years in biofuels and other environmentally friendly ways to replace oil and coal.

Should his transportation inter-

ests fail to yield enough profit to satisfy the \$3 billion commitment, Sir Richard says he would "most likely" make up the difference with profits from his cellphone, health club or other businesses.

Sir Richard declined to disclose the 2005 profits of his transportation businesses, which include Virgin Atlantic Airways, a joint venture with Singapore Airlines. In all, Sir Richard's companies, many of which are closely held, have projected annual revenue of \$14.6 billion this year, of which \$8 billion comes from transportation units, says a spokesman.

Odds & Ends

GM's finance chief said that the company will continue a "thoughtful" and "thorough" study of a potential alliance with Renault and Nissan and that it expects to wrap up discussions around Oct. 15. ... The U.S. lost the top ranking as the world's most competitive economy amid its growing budget deficit, moving into sixth place, according to a World Economic Forum study. Switzerland ranked No. 1 for its flexible markets.

By Jay Hershey

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Whose Business School Is Best?

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arrogant and less collegial than the M.B.A.s they meet at other schools. Some of the large, elite schools also don't seem to enjoy as many close, personal relationships with recruiters as smaller M.B.A. programs do, and their career-service offices tend to receive lower scores for customer service.

Overall, the survey respondents appeared happier with the schools this year, giving generally higher ratings on the 21 attributes and indicating that they plan to continue recruiting at the same schools. More than half of the recruiters said they believe the quality of M.B.A. graduates is the same or better today compared with past years.

Companies are hiring far more

M.B.A.s—and at higher salaries—than a few years ago when demand dropped dramatically. In the survey, nearly a quarter of respondents said they would pay starting salaries of more than \$100,000 this year, compared with 17% in 2005. And 62% said they had raised salaries, up from 48% last year.

Even with the markedly better job market, recruiters say students haven't become too greedy or demanding—at least not yet.

Recruiters do feel grumpy about one thing: a decline in the quantity and quality of M.B.A. students' work experience. Many schools recently relaxed their experience requirements and started admitting greener students, partly in response to a steep slide in the number of applications and partly

because they hope to attract more young women and minorities.

Accustomed to interviewing M.B.A.s with four to five years in the workplace, recruiters complain they're seeing more students who worked only a year or two before returning to business school. They didn't work long enough to be given much responsibility or to serve in leadership positions.

"It isn't just the amount of real-world experience," says Maury Hanigan, who runs an M.B.A. talent-scouting service for companies. "It's the relevance of the experience. Companies hope to find M.B.A. graduates who know their industry and speak the language. If they don't bring that experience and knowledge, the ramp-up time after they start working is so long."

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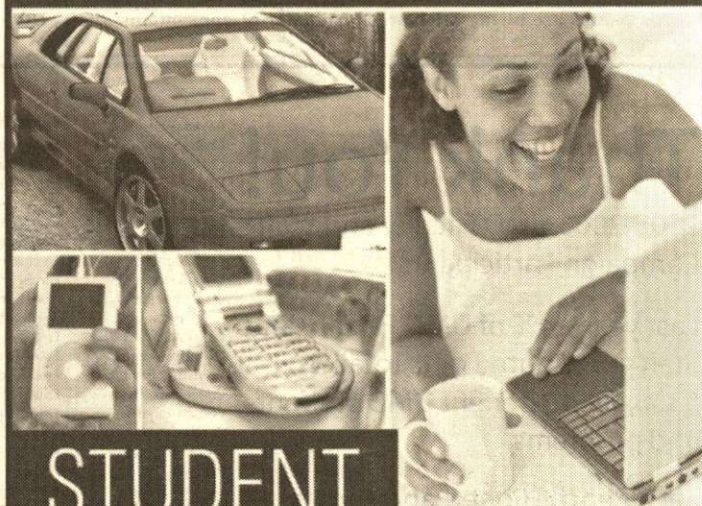
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ber three if not number two starter in the playoffs.

Johan Santana, the most reliable starter for the Twins throughout the season, has come up with two, consecutive shaky starts, both of which the Twins lost. Twins fans need not worry about Santana though, for he has been nothing but perfect at home this year and is in line to lead the majors in strikeouts, wins and the lowest ERA. Santana will not pitch this weekend putting him in line to start game one of the playoffs.

First baseman Justin Morneau has a legitimate shot at winning the American League MVP award. He is second in the league with 129 RBIs, has 34 homeruns and is batting .324. Derek Jeter is the only other player who will make the playoffs that has a legitimate shot at MVP. Jeter has 96 RBIs and 112 runs scored.

Jeter plays in a larger market than Morneau, making his performance much more noticeable. Before voting though, one must look at what Morneau has done for the Twins. Without Morneau, the Twins would likely be on the outside looking in. Jeter is probably the best shortstop in the game, but with sluggers like Alex Rodriguez, Jason Giambi, Bobby Abreu, along with hot bats by Robinson Cano and Johnny Damon in the lineup, Jeter's value to the team could arguably be diminished.

Monday night, Torii Hunter joined Justin Morneau as the only players to hit 30 homeruns in a single season since 1987 for the Twins. Hunter needs only five more RBIs to make this the first Twins team ever to have three players with 100-RBIs in one season. Justin Morneau (129) and Michael Cuddyer (101) have hit over 100 RBI for the first time in their careers.

Joe Mauer has helped lead the Twins to the number one team batting average in the league. His patient at bats have rubbed off on the entire team, who over the year swung less and less at balls out of the strike zone.

Much of the Twins success is due to the middle of the lineup and the pitching staff. General Manager of the White Sox Ozzy Guillen compared the Twins to piranhas earlier in the season because the Twins are able

to pick away at teams with their batting lineup. However, one cannot overlook the 'piranhas.' Luis Castillo and Nick Punto will generally set the table by getting on base for the middle of the lineup to drive them in. Jason Bartlett and Jason Tyner both bring high batting averages to the bottom of the lineup.

Unless the Twins catch the Tigers in the American League Central Division, they will likely open the playoffs in New York. They would play Oakland in Minnesota, if they can win the Division. The Tigers and Twins would not face each other in the Division series, no matter what their records are because divisional opponents cannot play each other in the Division series.

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SOCCER

The Bulldog women's soccer team salvaged a 1-1 tie against St. Cloud State as sophomore Dani Scheuer scored a goal late in the second half Saturday in St. Cloud. Freshman Cassie Wirth picked up her first collegiate point with an assist on the goal and junior goalkeeper Brianna Francisco had five saves for the Bulldogs. Ashley Herold scored on a direct kick for the Huskies (4-5-2 overall and 0-3-2 in NCC) at the 41:37 mark of the first half from 25 yards away.

The Bulldogs (7-2-1 overall and 2-1-1 in NCC) will next travel to Vermillion, S.D. to play South Dakota on Friday Sept. 29 at 2 p.m.

X-COUNTRY

The Bulldog men's cross country team finished eighth out of 52 teams, and the women's team finished 11th out of 29 teams in the 21st annual Roy Griak Invitational at the University of Minnesota Les

and junior John Kellemeyn finished 61st with a time of 27:12.

The Bulldog women were led by sophomore Liz Palkie's tenth place finish out of 278 finishers with a time of 23:17 in the 6,000 meters.

Palkie was named the North Central Conference athlete of the week for her performance last weekend.

Freshman

Katelyn Meger finished in 41st place with a time of 24:15, and seniors Sara Frederickson and Kristin Zinmaster finished 64th and 76th respectively with times of 24:37 and 24:50. The next meet for the men and women cross country teams is Friday at 4 p.m. at the Eau Claire Invitational in Colfax, Wis.

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Bulldog Rundown



Bolstad Golf Course in Falcon Heights, Minn.

The Bulldog men were led by junior Eric Atkinson's eighth place finish out of 509 finishers with a time of 26:14 in the 8,000 meters. Senior Brian Polski finished in 40th place with a time of 26:55,

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The Bulldogs headed into their warm locker room, with a 21-13 lead. The third quarter wasn't as successful as the previous two for the Bulldogs, the score remaining the same. Both defenses played a sharp game. UMD's defense proves to be one of their many advantages this season.

"I think our biggest advantage is our fast paced tempo on offense, and our defense doing an unbelievable job keeping us in games and waiting for us to get things rolling on offense when we

aren't moving the ball," said Schlafke.

Shortly after, CWU scored on a 22-yard touchdown pass. CWU tried to complete another two-point conversion, but failed as Reilly's pass was intercepted by defensive back Jim Johnson, he returned 98 yards making the score 25-23, Wildcats.

Near the end of the fourth quarter, UMD scored their game-winning touchdown as Schlafke completed a 15-yard pass to Dominique Johnson. Aker received a pass from Schlafke to complete the two-point conversion giving the Bulldogs a 31-25 lead.

The Bulldogs' defense

held strong as the Wildcats tried desperately to rally a touchdown for the win. The Wildcats hopes of a comeback were diminished as Reilly threw an interception right into defensive back Bryan Dahl's hands. Schlafke completed 26 out of his 43 passes, for 291 yards. He threw for three touchdowns and no interceptions.

The Bulldogs travel on the road to Western Washington this Friday. Their next home game will be on Oct. 7, as they host Augustana College at 1 p.m.

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Wyffels both racked up several kills in game four, while Langseth had two crucial blocks near the end of the game. At a score of 24-20 Bulldogs, CSP took a timeout to try and recover from UMD's on target attacks. The timeout seemed to help the Bears but only briefly. The Dogs held their lead and had six consecutive points to end game four 30-23 and gave the Bulldogs a 3-1 game win.

The upset over CSP is a big win for the Bulldogs, but Boos does not want to focus

on this victory.

"I don't want to over magnify this match this early in the year," said Boos. "It was a great win for us at home on our floor. It was a great confidence booster that will carry on into this weekend."

The Bulldogs have two North Central Conference matches this weekend and do not play at home again until Oct. 17 against Michigan Tech.

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Vikings beaten by the Bears

By Eric Johnson
Statesman Staff Reporter

The Minnesota Vikings lost their first game of the year on Sunday to the division leading Chicago Bears.

Both teams entered the game with an undefeated record, and the winner would take over sole possession of first place in the NFC North division.

Going in, most people figured it would be a defensive struggle with two very good defensive teams going head to head. Combine that with the sub par offenses of both teams, and you have all the makings of a low scoring affair. Both teams managed to work down field for a field goal in their opening drives. The defense for both teams then stepped up, resulting either in punts or turnovers.

The Vikings managed one more field goal before halftime and led 6-3. The second half began much in the same way as the first. The Bears worked down field for two more field goals, giving the Bears a 9-6 lead going into the fourth quarter.

Things began to look up for the Vikings in the final quarter when cornerback Antoine Winfield intercepted a pass from Rex Grossman and returned it 7 yards for a touchdown.

The Vikings were now in the driver's seat, and with the way they had been troubling Grossman with the blitz, it looked like they had things under control with a 13-9 lead. Both teams then tacked on a field goal. The Vikings got the ball with 5:58 remaining in the game. It looked like all they had to do was put together a solid drive, something that proved quite tricky for the inept offense to put the game away.

So naturally, with 3:25 left in the game Travis Taylor and Brad Johnson, in a combined effort to blow the game, fumbled the hand off. The Bears recovered and in five plays went 47 yards to paydirt giving them a 19-16 lead with 1:53 to play.

There was still some hope for the Vikings, or at least as much as there could be for a team with no offensive play-makers. The Vikings worked

themselves into a third and seven situation needing a field goal to tie the game.

Most NFL coaches would throw a pass in this situation. However, Vikings coach Brad Childress, elected for the run and Mewelde Moore squeezed out 5 yards. This set up a very manageable fourth and two, so Childress was off the hook, as his run was somewhat effective earlier in the game.

This put the Vikings in a do or die situation, Johnson dropped back for the pass and lobbed up a fade route to undersized Troy Williamson; he overthrew him, and the game is effectively over with Bears kneeling three times to run out the clock.

The Vikings take on Buffalo next in New York on Sunday Oct. 1.

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SPORTS

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Twins grasp playoff spot

By Tajen Stockdale
Statesman Staff Reporter

Break out the homer hankies Twins fans, Minnesota is in the playoffs.

On June 7, the Twins were 25-33. Thanks to the greatest turnaround in Twins' history, a couple of 30 home-run hitters and the slider-slugging southpaw duo, they have the second best record in baseball and are headed to the post season. The Minnesota Twins clinched a playoff birth Tuesday beating the Kansas City Royals 8-1.

The Tigers opened a three game series with Toronto yesterday, and then, close off the season at home against the lowly Kansas City Royals tomorrow. The Twins will have to win three more games than the Tigers in the final week to finish first in the AL Central Division.

Chicago will likely put up a fight this weekend trying to play the spoiler role against a Twins club that finished one place ahead of them four years running before their

World Series title in 2005.

Whether it was the Cy-Young performance by Johan Santana, the rise of rookie pitchers Francisco Liriano and Boof Bonser or the late inning success of the dominating bullpen, the Twins pitching has been one of the biggest stories of the year.

The departure of Kyle Lohse and early troubles by Silva allowed the world to see what Francisco Liriano was made of. Though Liriano was "lights out" while he was healthy, his violent delivery and overpowering arm sidelined him for the final month and a half of the season with elbow problems.

Matt Garza started the season playing in Fort Myers and made his way all the way through the Twins farm system to the majors where he is in line for a possible starting spot in the playoffs.

With Radke's status uncertain and Carlos Silva's recent flashback to April, Boof Bonser will likely find himself as the Twins' num

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Football squad squeaks by first NCC opponent at home

By Ali Draves
Statesman Staff Reporter

The Bulldog football team defeated the Central Washington University (CWU) Wildcats on Saturday, 31-25.

The game started quick with UMD scoring at 13:07 in the first quarter. Sophomore quarterback Ted Schlafke's arm was accurate as he hooked up with Keith Bizzle for a 19-yard pass.

"Since we play on turf, the rain wasn't a problem, and we were able to call plays the same way we normally would have," said Schlafke.

At 6:14 in the first quarter, CWU got on the board when Chris Jameson caught

a 17-yard pass from Mike Reilly, which tied the score 7-7.

The score remained tied until 14:56 into the second quarter, when Garrett Rolsma completed a 32-yard field goal, putting Central Washington up 10-7.

CWU's lead was not long, after a 43-yard pass from Schlafke to Greg Aker at 12:52.

The Bulldog defense was on in the second quarter, only allowing Central Washington another field goal.

UMD rallied at the end of the second quarter for another touchdown, completing a 1-yard run from Marek Seta.

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Volleyball team beats Concordia St. Paul

By Jud Turk
Statesman Staff Reporter

The nationally ranked #6 Bulldogs overpowered the #3 ranked University of Concordia St. Paul (CSP) Golden Bears on Tuesday night in a four game flurry.

Coach Jim Boos had nothing but good things to say about his team after the match.

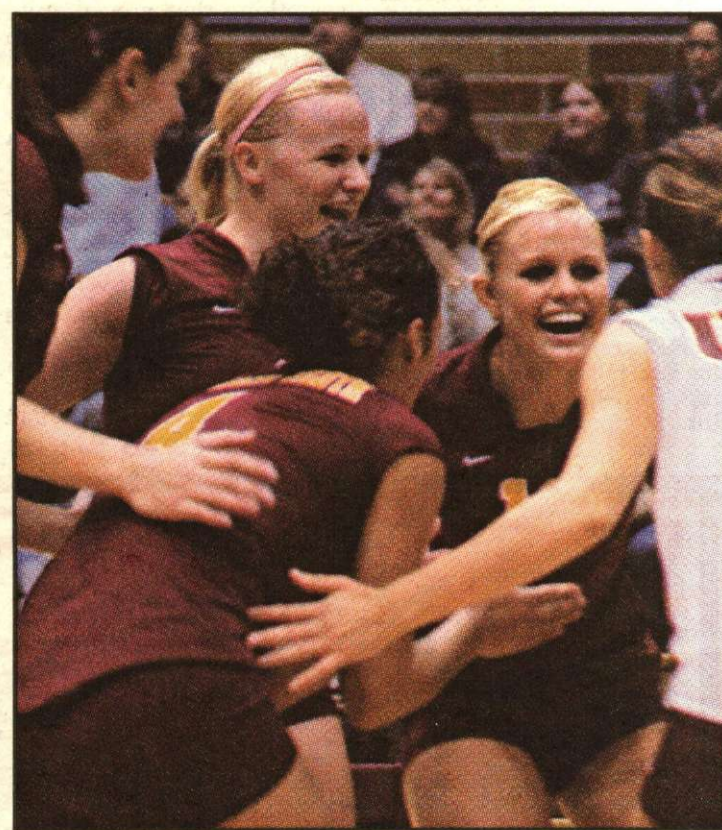
"Our offense was tremendous," said Boos. "Our setter put balls in scoring position. Our outside hitters were outstanding. It only takes a few points in a match like this."

Game one was a heated battle between these two high-powered offenses. Kills for both offenses went back and forth and neither team took a commanding lead until the end of the game. UMD was down at the end of the game and just couldn't recover resulting in a 26-30 loss.

"I think nerves got to us, and we made a few too many errors," said outside hitter Vicky Braegelmann. "You just can't do that against a team like Concordia."

The nerves seemed to relinquish a little in game two, yet it still was a back and forth war. The Bulldogs were trailing the Golden Bears for most of game two until they tied it up at 18-18. Outside hitter Kari Wolford first spiked a crucial kill and followed that up with a block to put the Dogs up by two. CSP hit a kill off course, and the ball went sailing out of bounds giving the Bulldogs a 21-18 lead, forcing CSP to take a timeout.

The Bears capitalized after the timeout and scored some much needed points to put them within one of the Bulldogs. Boos felt that it was time for a timeout as game two neared the end. After



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Katie Gangelhoff (left) and Crystal Hoffroge (right) celebrate with their teammates after scoring against Concordia St. Paul.

the timeout, UMD poured on an offensive onslaught, which CSP was unable to recover from. Outside hitter Whitney Meierotto ended the game with a kill and gave the Bulldogs a 30-27 win in game two.

After the win in game two, the nerves disappeared and the Bulldogs demonstrated how smooth their offense can run. Setter Katie Gangelhoff was on target for game three, but she gives the credit to the rest of the team for their success.

"It helped that we were in system with our passing," said Gangelhoff. "The good passing helped me set the ball for our hitters."

Sarah Wyffels, Rachel

Langseth, W. Meierotto and Braegelmann all had multiple kills in game three. Gangelhoff started to implement a shorter set for her outside hitters to amass numerous kills.

"It gets our team more in system, and it doesn't give their team enough time for their blockers to get in position," said Gangelhoff.

UMD was relentless in the third game never giving up the lead to the Bears. The Bulldogs held CSP to a meager 16 points in game three.

Game four the nerves were forgotten and the confidence was in the Bulldogs' camp.

Braegelmann and

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